

# GRAFF FOUNDATION

England & Wales - Charity number 1012859

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Trust

**Registered** 1992-07-15

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

## Contact

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**Address** Graff Diamonds Ltd  
28-29 Albemarle Street  
London  
W1S 4JA

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## Activities

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**Objects:** SUCH EXCLUSIVELY CHARITABLE PURPOSE OR OBJECT OR PURPOSES OR OBJECTS AND IF MORE THAN ONE IN SUCH PROPORTIONS AND IN SUCH MANNER AS THE TRUSTEES SHALL FROM TIME TO TIME THINK FIT

**Activities:** To make donations to charitable institutions as the trustees see fit. The trustees review various charitable organisations and decide which organisations should receive funding on an annual basis

## Classification

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- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

## Geography

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- Throughout England And Wales

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£1,695,648	£791,629	£3,103,156	0
2023-12-31	£870,292	£273,954	£2,199,137	0
2022-12-31	£106,086	£1,045,772	-	-
2021-12-31	£743,828	£1,490,327	£2,542,485	0
2020-12-31	£186,242	£1,333,262	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Alexander Molla		2022-06-30
MR F GRAFF		
MR L GRAFF		1991-12-20

**GRAFF FOUNDATION**

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# Accounts

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# The Graff Foundation

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31 December 2024

# The Graff Foundation

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# The Graff Foundation

## TRUSTEES AND ADVISORS

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### TRUSTEES

Laurence Graff  
Francois Graff  
Alexander Molla

### ADDRESS

28-29 Albemarle Street  
London  
W1S 4JA

### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP  
Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors  
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### BANKERS

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Level 25  
1 Churchill Place  
London E14 5HP  
United Kingdom

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER 1012859

The principal office is the same as the registered office.

# The Graff Foundation

## TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

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The trustees submit their report and the audited financial statements of The Graff Foundation for the year ended 31 December 2024.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with The Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP under FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011. It is a public benefit entity.

### OBJECTIVES, STRATEGY AND ACTIVITIES

The Graff Foundation ('the Foundation') was registered with the Charity Commission (registration number 1012859) on 15 July 1992 as a charity for general charitable purposes and is governed by the Trust Deed dated 20 December 1991.

The objectives of the Foundation are to apply the income and such parts of the capital towards such charitable purposes and to make grants to such charitable institutions at such times and in such manner as the trustees in their absolute discretion think fit. The strategy for achieving these objectives is for the trustees to review various charitable organisations and decide which organisations should receive funding on an annual basis.

The trustees confirm that they have complied with their duty under Section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit and seek to meet the Foundation's purposes in following its objectives.

### MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE

The trustees who have served during the year and since the year end are set out on page 1. The Foundation is managed by a minimum of 3 trustees. The statutory power of appointing new or additional trustees is vested in Graff Diamonds Limited, a related party. All new trustees are provided with an induction pack which includes the constitution of the Trust and guidelines on how to perform their duties as Trustee. Further training is given as and when necessary. The day to day management of the charity is carried out by Robert Falk, the charity accountant.

### RELATED PARTIES

The Foundation has a close relationship with Graff Diamonds Limited which provides funding to the charity. Francois Graff is a director of Graff Diamonds Limited, and Laurence Graff is the ultimate controlling shareholder of that company and all other companies in the Graff Group ('the Graff Group').

### ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

The trustees review various charitable organisations and decide which organisations should receive funding. Having reviewed various charitable organisations, the trustees have made ten (2023: twelve) grants during the year amounting to £776k (2023: £202k) to organisations as set out in note 4. These organisations are community charities which the trustees consider to be for the benefit of the public.

The grants were made in accordance with the aims of the trust as set out in the Trust Deed dated 20 December 1991.

The Foundation's future strategy remains unchanged. There are no current commitments for any future grants.

### DONATIONS

Donations are principally received from companies in the Graff Group by direct payment. A small donation was also received from an external organisation in the financial period. No professional fund-raisers are employed by the charity.

# The Graff Foundation

## TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT (Continued)

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### GRANT MAKING POLICY

The essential purpose of the Foundation is to aid in the generation of funds to various charitable organisations.

### FINANCIAL REVIEW

The trustees set out the financial statements on page 9 to page 15. The net movement in funds for the year were £904k (2023: £596k).

### RESERVES POLICY AND INVESTMENT POLICY

It is the policy of the trustees to maintain reserves at a level to enable it to be administered efficiently to meet its expenditure requirements and to have adequate resources to fund its charitable objectives. The level of reserves is currently £3,103k (2023: £2,199k).

Under the Trust Deed dated 20 December 1991, the charity has the power to invest its accumulated assets in the purchase, acquisition or improvement of any property if appropriate. Their current reserves policy is to accumulate reserves under this power. However, at this time the certainty of cash and cash deposits is deemed to be the most appropriate investment strategy. The policy is reviewed annually.

### PRINCIPAL BUSINESS RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES AND FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

The trustees have examined the major risks which the charity faces. The trustees confirm that systems have been established to ensure that any major risks are identified and as far as practicable adequately mitigated. The management of the Foundation and the execution of the Foundation's strategy is subject to a number of risks that include liquidity and cash flow risk. The Foundation does not have a risk register. Policies relating to the management of these risks and how they are mitigated are described below:

#### *Cash flow risk*

Cash flow forecasting is performed on a regular basis which includes rolling forecasts of the Foundation's liquidity requirements to ensure that the Foundation has sufficient cash to meet operational needs.

#### *Liquidity risk*

The trustees regularly review the Foundation's financial position and actively discuss matters to ensure that there are sufficient funds available to continue in operational existence and meet liabilities as and when they fall due.

### FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS AND FUTURE PLANS

The trustees will continue to apply the income and such parts of the capital towards such charitable purposes and to make grants to such charitable institutions at such times and in such manner as the trustees in their absolute discretion think fit.

### SIGNIFICANT FACTORS AFFECTING THE CHARITY

Due to the nature of the charity, no positive or negative factors within or outside the charity's control have significantly affected the achievement of its objectives or future plans during the year' for the charity's financial statements.

# The Graff Foundation

## TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT (Continued)

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### GOING CONCERN

The trustees consider the Foundation to be a going concern as it has £3,104k of cash, deposits and cash equivalents and a very small total of liabilities at 31 December 2024. The charity has no commitments in the next 18 months. There are no material uncertainties in these financial statements.

### DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION TO AUDITORS

As far as the trustees are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Foundation's auditors are unaware, and they have taken all the steps that they ought to have taken as trustees, to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the charity's auditors are aware of the information.

### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

The auditors, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, have indicated their willingness to continue in office.

On behalf of the trustees



Alexander Molla  
Trustee

Date: 28th May 2025

# The Graff Foundation

## STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

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The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period.

In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards, comprising FRS 102, have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the charity and financial information included on the charity's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

On behalf of the trustees



Alexander Molla  
Trustee

Date: 28<sup>th</sup> May 2025

# ***Independent auditors' report to the trustees of The Graff Foundation***

## **Report on the audit of the financial statements**

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### **Opinion**

In our opinion, The Graff Foundation's financial statements (the financial statements"):

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31 December 2024 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, and cash flows, for the year then ended;
  - have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards, comprising FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland", and applicable law); and
  - have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 and Regulation 8 of The Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008.
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### **Basis for opinion**

We have audited the financial statements, included within the Trustees' Annual Report and Financial Statements (the "Annual Report"), which comprise: the Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2024; the Statement of Financial Activities for the year then ended, Cash Flow Statement for the year then ended and the notes to the financial statements, which include a description of the significant accounting policies.

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) ("ISAs (UK)") and applicable law. Our responsibilities under ISAs (UK) are further described in the Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

### **Independence**

We remained independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, which includes the FRC's Ethical Standard and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

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### **Conclusions relating to going concern**

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from the date on which the financial statements are authorised for issue.

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

However, because not all future events or conditions can be predicted, this conclusion is not a guarantee as to the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

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### **Reporting on other information**

The other information comprises all of the information in the Annual Report other than the financial statements and our auditors' report thereon. The trustees are responsible for the other information. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion or any form of assurance thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify an apparent material inconsistency or material misstatement, we are required to perform procedures to conclude whether there is a material misstatement of the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report based on these responsibilities.

Based on our work undertaken in the course of the audit, the Charities Act 2011 requires us also to report certain opinions and matters as described below.

## *Trustees' Report*

Under the Charities Act 2011 we are required to report to you if, in our opinion the information given in the Trustees' Annual Report is inconsistent in any material respect with the financial statements. We have no exceptions to report arising from this responsibility.

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## **Responsibilities for the financial statements and the audit**

### *Responsibilities of the Trustees for the financial statements*

As explained more fully in the Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities, the trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the applicable framework and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. The trustees are also responsible for such internal control as they determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

### *Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements*

We are eligible to act and have been appointed as auditors under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with the Act and relevant regulations made or having effect thereunder.

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud, is detailed below.

Based on our understanding of the charity/industry, we identified that the principal risks of non-compliance with laws and regulations related to Charities Act 2011 in respect of donations and expenditure, and we considered the extent to which non-compliance might have a material effect on the financial statements. We also considered those laws and regulations that have a direct impact on the financial statements such as the Charities Act 2011 and relevant regulations made or having an effect thereunder, including The Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. We evaluated the incentives and opportunities for fraudulent manipulation of the financial statements (including the risk of override of controls) by the trustees and those responsible for, or involved in, the preparation of the financial statements, and determined that the principal risks were related to management posting inappropriate journal entries. Audit procedures performed included:

- Enquiring of management and the board of trustees, including consideration of known or suspected instance of non-compliance with laws and regulation and fraud;
- Understanding and evaluating the control environment;
- Identifying and testing journal entries, including journal entries posted with unusual account combinations to income or cash accounts; and;
- Assessing financial statement disclosures, and testing to supporting documentation, for compliance with applicable laws and regulations.

There are inherent limitations in the audit procedures described above. We are less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations that are not closely related to events and transactions reflected in the financial statements. Also, the risk of not detecting a material misstatement due to fraud is higher than the risk of not detecting one resulting from error, as fraud may involve deliberate concealment by, for example, forgery or intentional misrepresentations, or through collusion.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the FRC's website at: [www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities](http://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities). This description forms part of our auditors' report.

### *Use of this report*

This report, including the opinions, has been prepared for and only for the charity's trustees as a body in accordance with section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and regulations made under section 154 of that Act (Part 4 of The Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008) and for no other purpose. We do not, in giving these opinions, accept or assume responsibility for any other purpose or to any other person to whom this report is shown or into whose hands it may come save where expressly agreed by our prior consent in writing.

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## Other required reporting

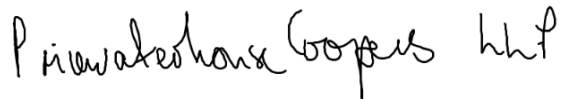
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### Charities Act 2011 exception reporting

Under the Charities Act 2011 we are required to report to you if, in our opinion:

- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- sufficient accounting records have not been kept by the charity; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records.

We have no exceptions to report arising from this responsibility.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP  
Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors  
London  
28 May 2025

**The Graff Foundation**  
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**  
**For the year ended 31 December 2024**

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		Unrestricted funds	
	<i>Note</i>	2024 £'000	2023 £'000
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>			
Donations and legacies		1,580	798
Interest receivable from bank accounts	2	80	71
Other income	3	35	1
<b>Total income and endowments</b>		<u>1,695</u>	<u>870</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>			
Charitable activities	4	(776)	(202)
Other expenditure	5	(15)	(72)
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<u>(791)</u>	<u>(274)</u>
<b>NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS</b>		904	596
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>			
Total funds brought forward		2,199	1,603
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>		<u><u>3,103</u></u>	<u><u>2,199</u></u>

There are no recognised gains or losses other than those included within the Statement of Financial Activities for the financial year and the prior financial year.

All income and expenditure relate to continuing operations for both the current and prior year.

# The Graff Foundation

## BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 December 2024

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	<i>Note</i>	2024 £'000	2023 £'000
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	6	7	9
Short term deposits & cash equivalents	7	3,032	2,051
Cash at bank and in hand		72	146
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		<u>3,111</u>	<u>2,206</u>
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	8	(8)	(7)
NET ASSETS		<u>3,103</u>	<u>2,199</u>
THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY			
Unrestricted funds	10	3,103	2,199
Total charity funds		<u>3,103</u>	<u>2,199</u>

The notes on pages 12 to 15 are an integral part of these financial statements.

The financial statements on pages 9 to 15 were approved by the board of trustees on 28th May 2025 and were signed on its behalf by:



Alexander Molla  
Trustee

**The Graff Foundation**  
**CASH FLOW STATEMENT**  
for the year ended 31 December 2024

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RECONCILIATION OF NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS TO  
NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:

	2024 £'000	2023 £'000
Net movement in funds	904	596
Interest received	(80)	(72)
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	2	(6)
Increase in creditors	1	4
Foreign exchange (gains)/losses	(34)	57
<i>Net Cash generated from operating activities</i>	<u>793</u>	<u>579</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Bank interest received	80	72
Increase in short-term deposits purchased	(1,410)	(785)
<i>Net cash used by investing activities</i>	<u>(1,330)</u>	<u>(713)</u>
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS IN THE REPORTING YEAR		
Change in cash and cash equivalents due to exchange rate movements	34	(57)
<i>Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents</i>	<u>(503)</u>	<u>(191)</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	<u>1,412</u>	<u>1,603</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	<u><u>909</u></u>	<u><u>1,412</u></u>

# The Graff Foundation

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the year ended 31 December 2024

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### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### 1.1 BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

These financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their financial statements in accordance with the financial reporting standard applicable in the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland ('FRS 102') and the Charities Act 2011. The principal accounting policies which have been consistently applied and adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are as follows:

#### 1.2 FUND ACCOUNTING

The charity holds an unrestricted general fund. This can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

#### 1.3 DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

Donations are accounted for in the period in which they are receivable or received.

#### 1.4 EXPENDITURE

Expenditure is included in the statement of financial activities on the accruals basis. Grants made by the charity to beneficiaries are provided for on approval of the trustees and upon payment to the recipient.

#### 1.5 INTEREST RECEIVABLE

Income from investments is accrued to the date of the balance sheet. All interest receivable from bank deposits is credited to the Statement of Financial Activities.

#### 1.6 GRANT POLICY

The charitable company accrues for grants payable when a written commitment is made to the charity. To apply the income and such parts of the capital towards such charitable purposes and to make grants to such charitable institutions at such times and in such manner as the trustees in their absolute discretion think fit. The strategy for achieving these objects is for the trustees to review various charitable organisations and decide which organisations should receive funding on an annual basis.

#### 1.7 FOREIGN CURRENCIES

Within the charity, monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the date of the transaction. These translation differences are dealt with in the Statement of Financial Activities.

#### 1.8 IRRECOVERABLE VAT

Any irrecoverable VAT is charged to the Statement of Financial Activities.

#### 1.9 TAX

The Foundation is a registered charity, and as such is entitled to certain tax exemptions on income and profits from investments, and surpluses on any trading activities carried on in furtherance of the its primary objectives, if these profits and surpluses are applied solely for charitable purposes

#### 1.10 DEBTORS

Debtors are recognised and carried at the lower of their original invoiced value and recoverable amount.

#### 1.11 SHORT TERM DEPOSITS AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Bank deposits held with terms greater than 3 months are classified as short term deposits. Bank deposits held with terms less than 3 months are classified as cash equivalents.

#### 1.11 PRESENTATIONAL AND FUNCTIONAL CURRENCY

The functional and presentational currency is GBP as the majority of cash held is in GBP bank deposit accounts and the majority of grants made are in GBP although the largest single grant in 2024 was in USD.

# The Graff Foundation

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued) for the year ended 31 December 2024

2	INTEREST RECEIVABLE FROM BANK ACCOUNTS	2024 £'000	2023 £'000
	Bank interest receivable	80	71
		=====	=====
3	OTHER INCOME	2024 £'000	2023 £'000
	Foreign exchange gains	34	-
	Governance costs	1	1
		35	1
		=====	=====
		2024 £'000	2023 £'000
4	CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES		
	Grants paid:		
	Facet Foundation	-	81
	Reuben Foundation (\$870K)	688	-
	Chabad Jewish Community of Central London	10	20
	Make a Wish Foundation	5	15
	Lady Garden - Foundation	5	2
	Jewish Care	10	25
	Community Security Trust	30	-
	Sandy's Row Synagogue	10	-
	Battersea Dogs Home	6	-
	Action Innocence Gala	-	5
	London's Air Ambulance	-	2
	Weizmann UK	-	5
	Bradfield Foundation	-	10
	JW3	-	2
	Tate Foundation	-	10
	Guggenheim Museum	-	25
	Bfami (Relief Art classes)	2	-
	Centrepoint	10	-
		776	202
		=====	=====
5	OTHER EXPENDITURE	2024 £'000	2023 £'000
	Foreign exchange losses	-	57
	Governance costs	15	15
		15	72
		=====	=====

# The Graff Foundation

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued) for the year ended 31 December 2024

### 5 OTHER EXPENDITURE (continued)

Governance costs are the administrative services of £1k (2023: £1k), which are provided by Robert Falk, the charity accountant, and audit fees for the year were £14k (2023: £14k).

Net foreign exchange gains arose in the year, upon revaluation of the USD bank, and USD funds held on deposit, at 31 December 2024. The pound moved favourably against the dollar over the year.

6	DEBTORS	2024 £'000	2023 £'000
	Prepayments and accrued income	7	9
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### 7 SHORT-TERM DEPOSITS & CASH EQUIVALENTS

	2024 £'000	2023 £'000
Short-term deposits	2,195	785
Cash equivalents	837	1,266
	3,032	2,051
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At December 2024, three short-term deposits had maturity dates greater than 100 days. Interest on these deposits were 4.13% on average. In addition, a further cash deposit (cash equivalent) had a maturity of 92 days. The interest on this deposit was 4.26%.

8	CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	2024 £'000	2023 £'000
	Accruals and deferred income	8	7
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### 9 TRUSTEES' EMOLUMENTS

No trustees received any remuneration or reimbursement of expenses for their services to the charity during the year (2023: £nil). There are no other employees within the charity (2023: none).

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued) for the year ended 31 December 2024

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10	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	2024 £'000	2023 £'000
	Fund balances brought forward	2,199	1,603
	Income	1,695	870
	Expenditure	(791)	(274)
	Fund balances carried forward	<u>3,103</u>	<u>2,199</u>

### 11 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

No funds are due to Graff Diamonds Limited (2023 £Nil). Francois Graff is a director of Graff Diamonds Limited. No trustees represent the board of any recipient charities apart from Facet Foundation (see below).

The charitable company received a donation of £1,580k (2023: £798k) from Graff Diamonds Limited during the year.

The charity paid no grants to Facet Foundation during the year. (2023: £81k). Laurence Graff, Francois Graff and Alexander Molla are also trustees of Facet Foundation. The Foundation is a stand-alone entity.

Facet Foundation financial statements and reports are publicly available from Companies House.

**GRAFF FOUNDATION**

England & Wales - Charity number 1012859

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# Accounts

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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# The Graff Foundation

## TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

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The trustees submit their report and the audited financial statements of The Graff Foundation for the year ended 31 December 2023.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with The Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP under FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011. It is a public benefit entity.

### OBJECTIVES, STRATEGY AND ACTIVITIES

The Graff Foundation ('the Foundation') was registered with the Charity Commission (registration number 1012859) on 15 July 1992 as a charity for general charitable purposes and is governed by the Trust Deed dated 20 December 1991.

The objectives of the Foundation are to apply the income and such parts of the capital towards such charitable purposes and to make grants to such charitable institutions at such times and in such manner as the trustees in their absolute discretion think fit. The strategy for achieving these objectives is for the trustees to review various charitable organisations and decide which organisations should receive funding on an annual basis.

The trustees confirm that they have complied with their duty under Section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit and seek to meet the Foundation's purposes in following its objectives.

### MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE

The trustees who have served during the year and since the year end are set out on page 1. The Foundation is managed by a minimum of 3 trustees. The statutory power of appointing new or additional trustees is vested in Graff Diamonds Limited, a related party. All new trustees are provided with an induction pack which includes the constitution of the Trust and guidelines on how to perform their duties as Trustee. Further training is given as and when necessary. The day to day management of the charity is carried out by Robert Falk, the charity accountant.

### RELATED PARTIES

The Foundation has a close relationship with Graff Diamonds Limited which provides funding to the charity. Francois Graff is a director of Graff Diamonds Limited, and Laurence Graff is the ultimate controlling shareholder of that company.

### ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

The trustees review various charitable organisations and decide which organisations should receive funding. Having reviewed various charitable organisations, the trustees have made twelve (2022: eleven) grants during the year amounting to £202k (2022: £1,035k) to organisations as set out in note 4. These organisations include the related charity, Facet Foundation, as well as museums and community charities which the trustees consider to be for the benefit of the public.

The grants were made in accordance with the aims of the trust as set out in the Trust Deed dated 20 December 1991.

The Foundation's future strategy remains unchanged. There are no current commitments for any future grants.

### DONATIONS

Donations are principally received from companies in the Graff Group by direct payment. No professional fundraisers are employed by the charity.

# The Graff Foundation

## TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

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### GRANT MAKING POLICY

The essential purpose of the Foundation is to aid in the generation of funds to various charitable organisations.

### FINANCIAL REVIEW

The trustees set out the financial statements on page 9 to page 15. The net movement in funds for the year were £596k (2022: Net expenditure of £940k).

### RESERVES POLICY AND INVESTMENT POLICY

It is the policy of the trustees to maintain reserves at a level to enable it to be administered efficiently to meet its expenditure requirements and to have adequate resources to fund its charitable objectives. The level of reserves is currently £2,199k (2022: £1,603k).

Under the Trust Deed dated 20 December 1991, the charity has the power to invest its accumulated assets in the purchase, acquisition or improvement of any property if appropriate. Their current reserves policy is to accumulate reserves under this power. However, at this time the certainty of cash and cash deposits is deemed to be the most appropriate investment strategy. The policy is reviewed annually.

### PRINCIPAL BUSINESS RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES AND FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

The trustees have examined the major risks which the charity faces. The trustees confirm that systems have been established to ensure that any major risks are identified and as far as practicable adequately mitigated. The management of the Foundation and the execution of the Foundation's strategy is subject to a number of risks that include liquidity and cash flow risk. The Foundation does not have a risk register. Policies relating to the management of these risks and how they are mitigated are described below:

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Cash flow forecasting is performed on a regular basis which includes rolling forecasts of the Foundation's liquidity requirements to ensure that the Foundation has sufficient cash to meet operational needs.

#### *Liquidity risk*

The trustees regularly review the Foundation's financial position and actively discuss matters to ensure that there are sufficient funds available to continue in operational existence and meet liabilities as and when they fall due.

### FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS AND FUTURE PLANS

The trustees will continue to apply the income and such parts of the capital towards such charitable purposes and to make grants to such charitable institutions at such times and in such manner as the trustees in their absolute discretion think fit.

### SIGNIFICANT FACTORS AFFECTING THE CHARITY

Due to the nature of the charity, no positive or negative factors within or outside the charity's control have significantly affected the achievement of its objectives or future plans during the year' for both charities financial statements.

# The Graff Foundation

## TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT (Continued)

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### GOING CONCERN

The trustees consider the Foundation to be a going concern as it has £2,198k of cash and a very small total of liabilities at 31 December 2023. The charity has no commitments in the next 18 months. There are no material uncertainties in these financial statements.

### DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION TO AUDITORS

As far as the trustees are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Foundation's auditors are unaware, and they have taken all the steps that they ought to have taken as trustees, to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the charity's auditors are aware of the information.

### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

The auditors, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, have indicated their willingness to continue in office.

On behalf of the trustees



Alexander Molla  
Trustee

Date: 29 August 2024

# The Graff Foundation

## STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

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The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period.

In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards, comprising FRS 102, have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the charity and financial information included on the charity's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

# The Graff Foundation

## ***Independent auditors' report to the trustees of The Graff Foundation***

### **Report on the audit of the financial statements**

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#### **Opinion**

In our opinion, The Graff Foundation's financial statements (the financial statements"):

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31 December 2023 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, and cash flows, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards, comprising FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland", and applicable law); and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 and Regulation 8 of The Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008.

We have audited the financial statements, included within the Trustees' Annual Report and Financial Statements (the "Annual Report"), which comprise: the balance sheet as at 31 December 2023; the statement of financial activities for the year then ended, cash flow statement for the year then ended and the notes to the financial statements, which include a description of the significant accounting policies.

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#### **Basis for opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) ("ISAs (UK)") and applicable law. Our responsibilities under ISAs (UK) are further described in the Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### **Independence**

We remained independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, which includes the FRC's Ethical Standard and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

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#### **Conclusions relating to going concern**

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from the date on which the financial statements are authorised for issue.

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

However, because not all future events or conditions can be predicted, this conclusion is not a guarantee as to the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

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#### **Reporting on other information**

The other information comprises all of the information in the Annual Report other than the financial statements and our auditors' report thereon. The trustees are responsible for the other information. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion or any form of assurance thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify an apparent material inconsistency or material misstatement, we are required to perform procedures to conclude whether there is a material misstatement of the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report based on these responsibilities.

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# The Graff Foundation

## ***Independent auditors' report to the trustees of The Graff Foundation (Continued)***

Based on our work undertaken in the course of the audit, the Charities Act 2011 requires us also to report certain opinions and matters as described below.

### *Trustees' Report*

Under the Charities Act 2011 we are required to report to you if, in our opinion the information given in the Trustees' Annual Report is inconsistent in any material respect with the financial statements. We have no exceptions to report arising from this responsibility.

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### **Responsibilities for the financial statements and the audit**

#### *Responsibilities of the Trustees for the financial statements*

As explained more fully in the Statement of trustees' responsibilities, the trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the applicable framework and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. The trustees are also responsible for such internal control as they determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

#### *Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements*

We are eligible to act and have been appointed as auditors under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with the Act and relevant regulations made or having effect thereunder.

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud, is detailed below.

Based on our understanding of the charity/industry, we identified that the principal risks of non-compliance with laws and regulations related to the Charities Act 2011 in respect of donations and expenditure, and we considered the extent to which non-compliance might have a material effect on the financial statements. We also considered those laws and regulations that have a direct impact on the financial statements such as the Charities Act 2011 and relevant regulations made or having an effect thereunder, including The Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. We evaluated the incentives and opportunities for fraudulent manipulation of the financial statements (including the risk of override of controls) by the trustees and those responsible for, or involved in, the preparation of the financial statements, and determined that the principal risks were related to management posting inappropriate journal entries. Audit procedures performed included:

- Enquiring of management and the board of trustees, including consideration of known or suspected instance of non-compliance with laws and regulation and fraud;
- Reviewing terms and conditions of significant contracts;
- Understanding and evaluating the control environment;
- Identifying and testing journal entries, including journal entries posted with unusual account combinations to income or cash accounts; and
- Assessing financial statement disclosures, and testing to supporting documentation, for compliance with applicable laws and regulations.

# The Graff Foundation

## ***Independent auditors' report to the trustees of The Graff Foundation (Continued)***

There are inherent limitations in the audit procedures described above. We are less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations that are not closely related to events and transactions reflected in the financial statements. Also, the risk of not detecting a material misstatement due to fraud is higher than the risk of not detecting one resulting from error, as fraud may involve deliberate concealment by, for example, forgery or intentional misrepresentations, or through collusion.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the FRC's website at: [www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities](http://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities). This description forms part of our auditors' report.

### *Use of this report*

This report, including the opinions, has been prepared for and only for the charity's trustees as a body in accordance with section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and regulations made under section 154 of that Act (Part 4 of The Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008) and for no other purpose. We do not, in giving these opinions, accept or assume responsibility for any other purpose or to any other person to whom this report is shown or into whose hands it may come save where expressly agreed by our prior consent in writing.

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## **Other required reporting**

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### **Charities Act 2011 exception reporting**

Under the Charities Act 2011 we are required to report to you if, in our opinion:

- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- sufficient accounting records have not been kept by the charity; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records.

We have no exceptions to report arising from this responsibility.



PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP  
Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors  
London  
29 August 2024

**The Graff Foundation**  
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**  
**For the year ended 31 December 2023**

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		Unrestricted funds	
	<i>Note</i>	2023 £'000	2022 £'000
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>			
Donations and legacies		798	-
Interest receivable from bank accounts	2	71	16
Other income	3	1	90
<b>Total income and endowments</b>		<u>870</u>	<u>106</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>			
Charitable activities	4	(202)	(1,035)
Other expenditure	5	(72)	(11)
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<u>(274)</u>	<u>(1,046)</u>
<b>NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS</b>		596	(940)
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>			
Total funds brought forward		1,603	2,543
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>		<u><u>2,199</u></u>	<u><u>1,603</u></u>

There are no recognised gains or losses other than those included within the Statement of Financial Activities for the financial year and the prior financial year.

All income and expenditure relate to continuing operations for both the current and prior year.

# The Graff Foundation

## BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 December 2023

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	<i>Note</i>	2023 £'000	2022 £'000
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	6	9	3
Short term deposits	7	785	-
Cash equivalents		1,266	-
Cash at bank and in hand		146	1,603
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		<u>2,206</u>	<u>1,606</u>
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	8	(7)	(3)
NET ASSETS		<u>2,199</u>	<u>1,603</u>
THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY			
Unrestricted funds	10	2,199	1,603
Total charity funds		<u>2,199</u>	<u>1,603</u>

The notes on pages 12 to 15 are an integral part of these financial statements.

The financial statements on pages 9 to 15 were approved by the board of trustees on 29 August 2024 and were signed on its behalf by:



Alexander Molla  
Trustee

**The Graff Foundation**  
**CASH FLOW STATEMENT**  
for the year ended 31 December 2023

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RECONCILIATION OF NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:	2023 £'000	2022 £'000
Net movement in funds	581	(1,044)
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	(6)	739
Increase in creditors	4	3
<i>Net Cash generated from/(used by) operating activities</i>	<u>579</u>	<u>(302)</u>
 CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Bank interest received	72	16
Short term deposits purchased	(785)	-
 Net cash (used by) generated from investing activities	<u>(713)</u>	<u>16</u>
 CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS IN THE REPORTING YEAR	(134)	(286)
 Change in cash and cash equivalents due to exchange rate movements	<u>(57)</u>	<u>89</u>
 <i>Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents</i>	<u>(191)</u>	<u>(197)</u>
 Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	<u>1,603</u>	<u>1,800</u>
 Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	<u><u>1,412</u></u>	<u><u>1,603</u></u>

# The Graff Foundation

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the year ended 31 December 2023

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### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### 1.1 BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

These financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their financial statements in accordance with the financial reporting standard applicable in the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland ('FRS102') and the Charities Act 2011. The principal accounting policies which have been consistently applied and adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are as follows:

#### 1.2 FUND ACCOUNTING

The charity holds an unrestricted general fund. This can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

#### 1.3 DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

Donations are accounted for in the period in which they are receivable or received.

#### 1.4 EXPENDITURE

Expenditure is included in the statement of financial activities on the accruals basis. Grants made by the charity to beneficiaries are provided for on approval of the trustees and upon payment to the recipient.

#### 1.5 INTEREST RECEIVABLE

Income from investments is accrued to the date of the balance sheet. All interest receivable from bank deposits is credited to the Statement of Financial Activities.

#### 1.6 GRANT POLICY

The charitable company accrues for grants payable when a written commitment is made to the charity. To apply the income and such parts of the capital towards such charitable purposes and to make grants to such charitable institutions at such times and in such manner as the trustees in their absolute discretion think fit. The strategy for achieving these objects is for the trustees to review various charitable organisations and decide which organisations should receive funding on an annual basis.

#### 1.7 FOREIGN CURRENCIES

Within the charity, monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the date of the transaction. These translation differences are dealt with in the Statement of Financial Activities.

#### 1.8 IRRECOVERABLE VAT

Any irrecoverable VAT is charged to the Statement of Financial Activities.

#### 1.9 TAX

The Foundation is a registered charity, and as such is entitled to certain tax exemptions on income and profits from investments, and surpluses on any trading activities carried on in furtherance of the its primary objectives, if these profits and surpluses are applied solely for charitable purposes

#### 1.10 DEBTORS

Debtors are recognised and carried at the lower of their original invoiced value and recoverable amount.

#### 1.11 SHORT TERM DEPOSITS

Bank deposits held with terms greater than 3 months are classified as short term deposits.

#### 1.11 PRESENTATIONAL AND FUNCTIONAL CURRENCY

The functional and presentational currency is GBP as the majority of cash held is in GBP bank deposit accounts and the majority of grants made are in GBP.

# The Graff Foundation

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued) for the year ended 31 December 2023

2	INTEREST RECEIVABLE FROM BANK ACCOUNTS	2023 £'000	2022 £'000
	Bank interest receivable	71	16
		=====	=====
3	OTHER INCOME	2023 £'000	2022 £'000
	Foreign exchange gains	-	89
	Governance costs	1	1
		1	90
		=====	=====
		2023 £'000	2022 £'000
4	CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES		
	Grants paid:		
	Facet Foundation	81	860
	The Museum of Contemporary Art, New York	-	89
	Chabad Jewish Community of Central London	20	25
	Make a Wish Foundation	15	3
	Lady Garden - Foundation	2	14
	Jewish Care	25	-
	Jewish Women's Aid Foundation	-	5
	Race against Dementia	-	1
	Just Giving: Diabetes	-	1
	Action Innocence Gala	5	-
	London's Air Ambulance	2	-
	Weizmann UK	5	-
	Bradfield Foundation	10	-
	JW3	2	-
	Tate Foundation	10	10
	Guggenheim Museum	25	27
		202	1,035
		=====	=====
5	OTHER EXPENDITURE	2023 £'000	2022 £'000
	Foreign exchange losses	57	-
	Governance costs	15	11
		72	11
		=====	=====

# The Graff Foundation

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued) for the year ended 31 December 2023

### 5 OTHER EXPENDITURE (continued)

Governance costs are the administrative services of £1k (2022: £1k), which are provided by Robert Falk, the charity accountant, and audit fees for the year were £14k (2022: £10k).

Net foreign exchange losses arose in the year, upon revaluation of the USD bank, and USD funds held on deposit, at 31 December 2023. The dollar moved favourably against the pound over the year.

6	DEBTORS	2023 £'000	2022 £'000
	Prepayments and accrued income	9	3
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7	SHORT TERM DEPOSITS	2023 £'000	2022 £'000
	Bank deposits	<u>785</u>	=

At December 2023, the maturity of the bank deposit was 213 days.  
The interest rate on this deposit was 5.54%.

8	CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	2023 £'000	2022 £'000
	Accruals and deferred income	7	3
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### 9 TRUSTEES' EMOLUMENTS

No trustees received any remuneration or reimbursement of expenses for their services to the charity during the year (2022: £nil). There are no other employees within the charity (2022: none).

10	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	2023 £'000	2022 £'000
	Fund balances brought forward	1,603	2,543
	Income	870	106
	Expenditure	(274)	(1,046)
	Fund balances carried forward	<u>2,199</u>	<u>1,603</u>
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# The Graff Foundation

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)  
for the year ended 31 December 2023

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## 11 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

No funds are due to Graff Diamonds Limited (2022 £3k). Francois Graff is a director of Graff Diamonds Limited. No trustees represent the board of any recipient charities apart from Facet Foundation (see below).

The Foundation paid grants to Facet Foundation during the year amounting to £81k (2022: £860k). Laurence Graff, Francois Graff and Alexander Molla are also trustees of Facet Foundation. The Foundation is a stand-alone entity.

Facet Foundation financial statements and reports are publicly available from Companies House.

**GRAFF FOUNDATION**

England & Wales - Charity number 1012859

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# Accounts

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# The Graff Foundation

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31 December 2022

# The Graff Foundation

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# The Graff Foundation

## TRUSTEES AND ADVISORS

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### TRUSTEES

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### BANKERS

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1 Churchill Place  
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United Kingdom

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER 1012859

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# The Graff Foundation

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# The Graff Foundation

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### GRANT MAKING POLICY

The essential purpose of the Foundation is to aid in the generation of funds to various charitable organisations.

### FINANCIAL REVIEW

The trustees set out the financial statements on page 9 to page 14. Expenditure exceeded income in the year by £939,686 (2021: Net expenditure of £746,499).

### RESERVES POLICY AND INVESTMENT POLICY

It is the policy of the trustees to maintain reserves at a level to enable it to be administered efficiently to meet its expenditure requirements and to have adequate resources to fund its charitable objectives. The level of reserves is currently £1,602,799 (2021: £2,542,485).

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The trustees regularly review the Foundation's financial position and actively discuss matters to ensure that there are sufficient funds available to continue in operational existence and meet liabilities as and when they fall due.

### FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS AND FUTURE PLANS

The trustees will continue to apply the income and such parts of the capital towards such charitable purposes and to make grants to such charitable institutions at such times and in such manner as the trustees in their absolute discretion think fit.

### SIGNIFICANT FACTORS AFFECTING THE CHARITY

Due to the nature of the charity, no positive or negative factors within or outside the charity's control have significantly affected the achievement of its objectives or future plans during the year' for both charities accounts.

# The Graff Foundation

## TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT (Continued)

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### GOING CONCERN

The trustees consider the Foundation to be a going concern as it has £1,603,050 of cash and a very small total of liabilities at 31 December 2022. The charity has no commitments in the next 18 months. There are no material uncertainties in these financial statements.

### DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION TO AUDITORS

As far as the trustees are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Foundation's auditors are unaware, and they have taken all the steps that they ought to have taken as trustees, to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the charity's auditors are aware of the information.

### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

The auditors, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, have indicated their willingness to continue in office.

On behalf of the trustees



Alexander Molla  
Trustee

Date: 27 September 2023

# The Graff Foundation

## STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

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The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period.

In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards, comprising FRS 102, have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the charity and financial information included on the charity's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

# The Graff Foundation

## *Independent auditors' report to the trustees of The Graff Foundation*

### Report on the audit of the financial statements

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#### Opinion

In our opinion, The Graff Foundation's financial statements (the financial statements"):

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31 December 2022 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, and cash flows, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards, comprising FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland", and applicable law); and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 and Regulation 8 of The Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008).

We have audited the financial statements, included within the Trustees' Annual Report and Financial Statements (the "Annual Report"), which comprise: the balance sheet as at 31 December 2022; the statement of financial activities for the year then ended, cash flow statement for the year then ended and the notes to the financial statements, which include a description of the significant accounting policies.

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#### Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) ("ISAs (UK)") and applicable law. Our responsibilities under ISAs (UK) are further described in the Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### Independence

We remained independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, which includes the FRC's Ethical Standard and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

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#### Conclusions relating to going concern

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from the date on which the financial statements are authorised for issue.

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

However, because not all future events or conditions can be predicted, this conclusion is not a guarantee as to the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

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#### Reporting on other information

The other information comprises all of the information in the Annual Report other than the financial statements and our auditors' report thereon. The trustees are responsible for the other information. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion or any form of assurance thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify an apparent material inconsistency or material misstatement, we are required to perform procedures to conclude whether there is a material misstatement of the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report based on these responsibilities.

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# The Graff Foundation

## ***Independent auditors' report to the trustees of The Graff Foundation (Continued)***

Based on our work undertaken in the course of the audit, the Charities Act 2011 requires us also to report certain opinions and matters as described below.

### ***Trustees' Report***

Under the Charities Act 2011 we are required to report to you if, in our opinion the information given in the Trustees' Report is inconsistent in any material respect with the financial statements. We have no exceptions to report arising from this responsibility.

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### **Responsibilities for the financial statements and the audit**

#### ***Responsibilities of the Trustees for the financial statements***

As explained more fully in the Statement of trustees' responsibilities, the trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the applicable framework and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. The trustees are also responsible for such internal control as they determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

#### ***Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements***

We are eligible to act and have been appointed as auditors under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with the Act and relevant regulations made or having effect thereunder.

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud, is detailed below.

Based on our understanding of the charity and industry, we identified that the principal risks of non-compliance with laws and regulations related to the Charities Act 2011 and relevant regulations made or having an effect thereunder, including The Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008, and we considered the extent to which non-compliance might have a material effect on the financial statements. We also considered those laws and regulations that have a direct impact on the financial statements such as the Charities Act 2011 and relevant regulations made or having an effect thereunder, including The Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. We evaluated the incentives and opportunities for fraudulent manipulation of the financial statements (including the risk of override of controls) by the trustees and those responsible for, or involved in, the preparation of the financial statements, and determined that the principal risks were related to management posting inappropriate journal entries. Audit procedures performed included:

- Enquiry of management and the board of trustees, including consideration of known or suspected instance of non-compliance with laws and regulation and fraud;
- Reviewing terms and conditions of significant contracts;
- Understanding and evaluating the control environment;
- Identifying and testing journal entries, including journal entries posted with unusual account combinations to income or cash accounts; and;
- Assessing financial statement disclosures, and testing to supporting documentation, for compliance with applicable laws and regulations.

# The Graff Foundation

## ***Independent auditors' report to the trustees of The Graff Foundation (Continued)***

There are inherent limitations in the audit procedures described above. We are less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations that are not closely related to events and transactions reflected in the financial statements. Also, the risk of not detecting a material misstatement due to fraud is higher than the risk of not detecting one resulting from error, as fraud may involve deliberate concealment by, for example, forgery or intentional misrepresentations, or through collusion.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the FRC's website at: [www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities](http://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities). This description forms part of our auditors' report.

### *Use of this report*

This report, including the opinions, has been prepared for and only for the charity's trustees as a body in accordance with section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and regulations made under section 154 of that Act (Part 4 of The Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008) and for no other purpose. We do not, in giving these opinions, accept or assume responsibility for any other purpose or to any other person to whom this report is shown or into whose hands it may come save where expressly agreed by our prior consent in writing.

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## **Other required reporting**

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### **Charities Act 2011 exception reporting**

Under the Charities Act 2011 we are required to report to you if, in our opinion:

- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- sufficient accounting records have not been kept by the charity; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records.

We have no exceptions to report arising from this responsibility.



PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP  
Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors  
London  
27 September 2023

**The Graff Foundation**  
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**  
As at 31 December 2022

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		Unrestricted funds	
	<i>Note</i>	2022	2021
		£	£
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>			
Donations and Legacies		-	742,060
Interest receivable from bank accounts	2	16,379	768
Other income	3	89,707	1,000
Total income and endowments		<u>106,086</u>	<u>743,828</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>			
Charitable activities	4	(1,034,775)	(1,477,135)
Other expenditure	5	(10,997)	(13,192)
Total expenditure		<u>(1,045,772)</u>	<u>(1,490,327)</u>
<b>NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS</b>		(939,686)	(746,499)
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>			
Total funds brought forward		2,542,485	3,288,984
Total funds carried forward		<u><u>1,602,799</u></u>	<u><u>2,542,485</u></u>

There are no recognised gains or losses other than those included within the Statement of Financial Activities for the financial year and the prior financial year.

All income and expenditure relate to continuing operations for both the current and prior year.

# The Graff Foundation

## BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 December 2022

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	<i>Note</i>	2022 £	2021 £
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Debtors	6	3,037	742,060
Cash at bank and in hand		1,603,050	1,800,425
<b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<u>1,606,087</u>	<u>2,542,485</u>
<b>CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year</b>	7	(3,288)	-
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<u>1,602,799</u>	<u>2,542,485</u>
<b>THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY</b>			
Unrestricted funds	9	1,602,799	2,542,485
<b>Total Charity funds</b>		<u>1,602,799</u>	<u>2,542,485</u>

The notes on pages 12 to 14 are an integral part of these financial statements.

The financial statements on pages 9 to 14 were approved by the board of trustees on 27 September 2023 and were signed on its behalf by:



Alexander Molla  
Trustee

**The Graff Foundation**  
**CASH FLOW STATEMENT**  
for the year ended 31 December 2022

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	2022	(Re-stated) 2021
	£	£
<b>RECONCILIATION OF NET EXPENDITURE TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:</b>		
Net Expenditure	(1,044,772)	(741,814)
Decrease / (increase) in debtors	739,023	(742,042)
Increase in creditors	3,288	-
<i>Net Cash used in operating activities</i>	<u>(302,461)</u>	<u>(1,483,856)</u>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Bank Interest received	16,379	768
	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>
<b>CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS IN THE REPORTING PERIOD</b>	<b>(286,082)</b>	<b>(1,483,088)</b>
Change in cash and cash equivalents due to Exchange rate movements	88,707	(5,453)
	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>
<i>Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents</i>	<u>(197,375)</u>	<u>(1,488,541)</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	1,800,425	3,288,966
	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	<u>1,603,050</u>	<u>1,800,425</u>

The 2021 comparative numbers have been adjusted to include a statement of cash flows for 2021 as the charity was classed as a large charity as defined by the Charities SORP (2019) as the gross income of the charity had exceeded £500,000 in 2021. As a result a cash flow is required to be included in the charity accounts as part of additional disclosure requirements.

# The Graff Foundation

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the year ended 31 December 2022

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### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### 1.1 BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

These financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their financial statements in accordance with the financial reporting standard applicable in the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland ('FRS102') and the Charities Act 2011. The principal accounting policies which have been consistently applied and adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are as follows:

#### 1.2 FUND ACCOUNTING

The charity holds an unrestricted general fund. This can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

#### 1.3 DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

Donations are accounted for in the period in which they are receivable or received.

#### 1.4 EXPENDITURE

Expenditure is included in the statement of financial activities on the accruals basis. Grants made by the charity to beneficiaries are provided for on approval of the trustees and upon payment to the recipient.

#### 1.5 INCOME FROM INVESTMENTS

Income from investments is accrued to the date of the balance sheet. All finance income is credited to the Statement of Financial Activities.

#### 1.6 GRANT POLICY

The charitable company accounts for grants payable when a written commitment is made to the charity. To apply the income and such parts of the capital towards such charitable purposes and to make grants to such charitable institutions at such times and in such manner as the trustees in their absolute discretion think fit. The strategy for achieving these objects is for the trustees to review various charitable organisations and decide which organisations should receive funding on an annual basis.

#### 1.7 FOREIGN CURRENCIES

Within the charity, monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the date of the transaction. These translation differences are dealt with in the Statement of Financial Activities.

#### 1.8 IRRECOVERABLE VAT

Any irrecoverable VAT is charged to the Statement of Financial Activities.

#### 1.9 TAX

The Foundation is a registered charity, and as such is entitled to certain tax exemptions on income and profits from investments, and surpluses on any trading activities carried on in furtherance of the its primary objectives, if these profits and surpluses are applied solely for charitable purposes

#### 1.10 DEBTORS

Debtors are recognised and carried at the lower of their original invoiced value and recoverable amount.

#### 1.11 PRESENTATIONAL AND FUNCTIONAL CURRENCY

The functional and presentational currency is GBP as the majority of cash held is in GBP bank deposit accounts and the majority of grants made are in GBP.

#### 1.12 RESTATEMENT OF 2021

The 2021 comparative numbers have been adjusted to include a statement of cash flows for 2021 as the charity was classed as a large charity as defined by the Charities SORP (2019) as the gross income of the charity had exceeded £500,000 in 2021. As a result a cash flow is required to be included in the charity accounts as part of additional disclosure requirements.

# The Graff Foundation

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

for the year ended 31 December 2022

2	INTEREST RECEIVABLE FROM BANK ACCOUNTS	2022 £	2021 £
	Bank interest receivable	16,379	768
		<u>16,379</u>	<u>768</u>
3	OTHER INCOME	2022 £	2021 £
	Foreign exchange gains	88,707	-
	Governance costs	1,000	1,000
		<u>89,707</u>	<u>1,000</u>
		<u>89,707</u>	<u>1,000</u>
	<p>Foreign exchange gains arose in the year, upon the revaluation of the US bank account at 31 December 2022, and due to the timing difference of the donation receivable from 2021, received in 2022. The pound has moved favourably against the dollar over the year.</p>		
		2022 £	2021 £
4	CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES		
	Grants paid:		
	Facet Foundation	860,000	597,985
	The Museum of Contemporary Art, New York	88,865	73,132
	Chabad Jewish Community of Central London	25,000	763,000
	Make a Wish Foundation	3,000	10,000
	Lady Garden - Foundation	14,000	-
	Food First Foundation	-	1,482
	Jewish Women's Aid Foundation	5,000	-
	Race against Dementia	1,000	-
	Quintessentially Foundation	250	-
	Just Giving: Diabetes Research	1,000	-
	Tate Foundation	10,000	10,000
	Guggenheim Museum	26,660	21,536
		<u>1,034,775</u>	<u>1,477,135</u>
		<u>1,034,775</u>	<u>1,477,135</u>
5	OTHER EXPENDITURE	2022 £	2021 £
	Bank charges and interest	30	60
	Foreign exchange losses	-	5,453
	Governance costs	10,967	7,679
		<u>10,997</u>	<u>13,192</u>
		<u>10,997</u>	<u>13,192</u>

Governance costs are the administrative services of £1,000 (2021: £1,000), which are provided by Robert Falk, the charity accountant, and audit fees for the year were £9,967 (2021: £6,679).

# The Graff Foundation

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued) for the year ended 31 December 2022

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6	DEBTORS	2022 £	2021 £
	Prepayments and accrued income	3,037	742,060
		<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
7	CREDITORS DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	2022 £	2021 £
	Accruals and deferred income	3,288	-
		<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
8	TRUSTEES' EMOLUMENTS		
	No trustees received any remuneration or reimbursement of expenses for their services to the charity during the year (2021: £nil). There are no other employees within the charity (2021: none).		
9	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	2022 £	2021 £
	Fund balances brought forward	2,542,485	3,288,984
	Income	106,086	743,828
	Expenditure	(1,045,772)	(1,490,327)
	Fund balances carried forward	<u>1,602,799</u>	<u>2,542,485</u>
		<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>

### 10 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The foundation owes Graff Diamonds Ltd £3,288. This was due to the increase in the audit fees from 2021 to 2022. The difference will be settled in 2023. In 2021, Graff Diamonds pledged a donation of £742,060 to the foundation. This was settled in June 2022. Francois Graff is a director of Graff Diamonds Limited. No trustees represent the board of any recipient charities apart from Facet Foundation (see below).

The Foundation paid grants to Facet Foundation during the year amounting to £860,000 (2021: £597,985). Laurence Graff, Francois Graff and Alexander Molla are also trustees of Facet Foundation. The Foundation is a stand-alone entity.

Facet Foundation accounts are publicly available from Companies House.

**GRAFF FOUNDATION**

England & Wales - Charity number 1012859

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# Accounts

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# The Graff Foundation

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31 December 2021

# The Graff Foundation

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# The Graff Foundation

## TRUSTEES AND ADVISORS

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### TRUSTEES

Laurence Graff  
Francois Graff  
Nicholas Paine (resigned 30 June 2022)  
Alexander Molla (appointed 30 June 2022)

### ADDRESS

29 Albemarle Street  
London  
W1S 4JA

### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP  
Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors  
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### BANKERS

Barclays Bank plc  
Level 25  
1 Churchill Place  
London E14 5HP  
United Kingdom

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER 1012859

The principal office is the same as the registered office.

# The Graff Foundation

## TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

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The trustees submit their report and the audited financial statements of The Graff Foundation for the year ended 31 December 2021.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with The Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP under FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011. It is a public benefit entity.

### OBJECTIVES, STRATEGY AND ACTIVITIES

The Graff Foundation ('the Foundation') was registered with the Charity Commission (registration number 1012859) on 15 July 1992 as a charity for general charitable purposes and is governed by the Trust Deed dated 20 December 1991.

The objectives of the Foundation are to apply the income and such parts of the capital towards such charitable purposes and to make grants to such charitable institutions at such times and in such manner as the trustees in their absolute discretion think fit. The strategy for achieving these objectives is for the trustees to review various charitable organisations and decide which organisations should receive funding on an annual basis.

The trustees confirm that they have complied with their duty under Section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit and seek to meet the Foundation's purposes in following its objectives.

### MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE

The trustees who have served during the year and since the year end are set out on page 1. The Foundation is managed by a minimum of 3 trustees. The statutory power of appointing new or additional trustees is vested in Graff Diamonds Limited, a related party. All new trustees are provided with an induction pack which includes the constitution of the Trust and guidelines on how to perform their duties as Trustee. Further training is given as and when necessary. The day to day management of the charity is carried out by Robert Falk, the charity accountant.

### RELATED PARTIES

The Foundation has a close relationship with Graff Diamonds Limited which provides funding to the charity. Francois Graff is a director of Graff Diamonds Limited, and Laurence Graff is the ultimate controlling shareholder of that company.

### ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

The trustees review various charitable organisations and decide which organisations should receive funding. Having reviewed various charitable organisations, the trustees have made seven (2020: seven) grants during the year amounting to £1,477,135 (2020: £1,325,437) to organisations as set out in note 3. These organisations include the related charity, Facet Foundation, as well as museums and a community charity which the trustees consider to be for the benefit of the public.

The grants were made in accordance with the aims of the trust as set out in the Trust Deed dated 20 December 1991.

The Foundation's future strategy remains unchanged. There are no current commitments for any future grants.

### GRANT MAKING POLICY

The essential purpose of the Foundation is to aid in the generation of funds to various charitable organisations.

### FINANCIAL REVIEW

The trustees set out the financial statements on page 9 to page 13. Expenditure exceeded income in the year by £746,499 (2020: Net expenditure of £1,147,020).

# The Graff Foundation

## TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT (Continued)

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### RESERVES POLICY AND INVESTMENT POLICY

It is the policy of the trustees to maintain reserves at a level to enable it to be administered efficiently to meet its expenditure requirements and to have adequate resources to fund its charitable objectives. The level of reserves is currently £2,542,485 (2020: £3,288,984).

Under the Trust Deed dated 20 December 1991, the charity has the power to invest its accumulated assets in the purchase, acquisition or improvement of any property if appropriate. Their current reserves policy is to accumulate reserves under this power. However, at this time the certainty of cash and cash deposits is deemed to be the most appropriate investment strategy. The policy is reviewed annually.

### PRINCIPAL BUSINESS RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES AND FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

The trustees have examined the major risks which the charity faces. The trustees confirm that systems have been established to ensure that any major risks are identified and as far as practicable adequately mitigated. The management of the Foundation and the execution of the Foundation's strategy is subject to a number of risks that include liquidity and cash flow risk. The Foundation does not have a risk register. Policies relating to the management of these risks and how they are mitigated are described below:

#### *Cash flow risk*

Cash flow forecasting is performed on a regular basis which includes rolling forecasts of the Foundation's liquidity requirements to ensure that the Foundation has sufficient cash to meet operational needs.

#### *Liquidity risk*

The trustees regularly review the Foundation's financial position and actively discuss matters to ensure that there are sufficient funds available to continue in operational existence and meet liabilities as and when they fall due.

### FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS AND FUTURE PLANS

The trustees will continue to apply the income and such parts of the capital towards such charitable purposes and to make grants to such charitable institutions at such times and in such manner as the trustees in their absolute discretion think fit.

### CORONAVIRUS

After the outbreak of Coronavirus Disease 2019 ("COVID-19 outbreak") in early 2020, a series of precautionary and control measures were implemented across the United Kingdom and globally. The Foundation has paid close attention to the development of the COVID-19 outbreak and has assessed and will continue to assess its impact on the financial position of the Foundation, however, at December 31 2021, the charity continues to have a strong balance sheet with no liabilities. The pandemic may have a detrimental effect on donations received in 2022.

### GOING CONCERN

The trustees consider the Foundation to be a going concern as it has £1,800,425 of cash at 31 December 2021 with no liabilities and potential commitments of only £1,085,000 in the next 12 months. There are no material uncertainties in these financial statements.

# The Graff Foundation

## TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT (Continued)

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### DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION TO AUDITORS

As far as the trustees are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Foundation's auditors are unaware, and they have taken all the steps that they ought to have taken as trustees, to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the charity's auditors are aware of the information.

### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

The auditors, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, have indicated their willingness to continue in office.

On behalf of the trustees



Alexander Molla  
Trustee

Date: 31 August 2022

# The Graff Foundation

## STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

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The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period.

In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
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- state whether applicable accounting standards, comprising FRS 102, have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

# The Graff Foundation

## ***Independent auditors' report to the trustees of The Graff Foundation***

### **Report on the audit of the financial statements**

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#### **Opinion**

In our opinion, The Graff Foundation's financial statements (the financial statements"):

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31 December 2021 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards, comprising FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland", and applicable law); and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 and Regulation 8 of The Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008).

We have audited the financial statements, included within the Annual Report and Financial Statements (the "Annual Report"), which comprise: the Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2021; the Statement of Financial Activities for the year then ended; and the notes to the financial statements, which include a description of the significant accounting policies.

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#### **Basis for opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) ("ISAs (UK)") and applicable law. Our responsibilities under ISAs (UK) are further described in the Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### **Independence**

We remained independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, which includes the FRC's Ethical Standard and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

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#### **Conclusions relating to going concern**

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from the date on which the financial statements are authorised for issue.

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

However, because not all future events or conditions can be predicted, this conclusion is not a guarantee as to the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

# The Graff Foundation

## ***Independent auditors' report to the trustees of The Graff Foundation***

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### **Reporting on other information**

The other information comprises all of the information in the Annual Report other than the financial statements and our auditors' report thereon. The trustees are responsible for the other information. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion or any form of assurance thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify an apparent material inconsistency or material misstatement, we are required to perform procedures to conclude whether there is a material misstatement of the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report based on these responsibilities.

Based on our work undertaken in the course of the audit, the Charities Act 2011 requires us also to report certain opinions and matters as described below.

### **Trustees' Report**

Under the Charities Act 2011 we are required to report to you if, in our opinion the information given in the Trustees' Annual Report is inconsistent in any material respect with the financial statements. We have no exceptions to report arising from this responsibility.

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## **Responsibilities for the financial statements and the audit**

### **Responsibilities of the Trustees for the financial statements**

As explained more fully in the Trustees' Responsibilities Statement, the trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the applicable framework and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. The trustees are also responsible for such internal control as they determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

### **Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements**

We are eligible to act and have been appointed as auditors under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with the Act and relevant regulations made or having effect thereunder.

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design

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## ***Independent auditors' report to the trustees of The Graff Foundation***

procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud, is detailed below.

Based on our understanding of the charity, we identified that the principal risks of non-compliance with laws and regulations related to the Charities Act 2011, and we considered the extent to which non-compliance might have a material effect on the financial statements. We also considered those laws and regulations that have a direct impact on the financial statements such as The Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. We evaluated the incentives and opportunities for fraudulent manipulation of the financial statements (including the risk of override of controls) by the trustees and those responsible for, or involved in, the preparation of the financial statements, and determined that the principal risks were related to management posting inappropriate journal entries. Audit procedures performed included:

- Enquiry of management and the board of trustees, including consideration of known or suspected instance of non-compliance with laws and regulation and fraud;
- Reviewing terms and conditions of significant contracts;
- Understanding and evaluating the Charity's control environment;
- Identifying and testing journal entries, including journal entries posted with unusual account combinations to income or cash accounts;
- Assessing financial statement disclosures, and testing to supporting documentation, for compliance with applicable laws and regulations.

There are inherent limitations in the audit procedures described above. We are less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations that are not closely related to events and transactions reflected in the financial statements. Also, the risk of not detecting a material misstatement due to fraud is higher than the risk of not detecting one resulting from error, as fraud may involve deliberate concealment by, for example, forgery or intentional misrepresentations, or through collusion.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the FRC's website at: [www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities](http://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities). This description forms part of our auditors' report.

### **Use of this report**

This report, including the opinions, has been prepared for and only for the charity's trustees as a body in accordance with section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and regulations made under section 154 of that Act (Part 4 of The Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008) and for no other purpose. We do not, in giving these opinions, accept or assume responsibility for any other purpose or to any other person to whom this report is shown or into whose hands it may come save where expressly agreed by our prior consent in writing.

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## **Other required reporting**

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### **Charities Act 2011 exception reporting**

Under the Charities Act 2011 we are required to report to you if, in our opinion:

- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- sufficient accounting records have not been kept by the charity; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records.

We have no exceptions to report arising from this responsibility.

*PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP*

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP  
Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors  
Embankment Place, London  
1 September 2022

**The Graff Foundation**  
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**  
**As at 31 December 2021**

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		Unrestricted funds	
	<i>Note</i>	2021	2020
		£	£
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>			
Donations and Legacies	8	742,060	162,575
Interest receivable from bank accounts	2	768	22,072
Other income		1,000	1,595
<b>Total income and endowments</b>		<u>743,828</u>	<u>186,242</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>			
Charitable activities	3	(1,477,135)	(1,325,437)
Other expenditure	4	(13,192)	(7,825)
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<u>(1,490,327)</u>	<u>(1,333,262)</u>
<b>NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS</b>		<u>(746,499)</u>	<u>(1,147,020)</u>
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>			
Total funds brought forward		3,288,984	4,436,004
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>		<u><u>2,542,485</u></u>	<u><u>3,288,984</u></u>

There are no recognised gains or losses other than those included within the Statement of Financial Activities for the financial year and the prior financial year.

All income and expenditure relate to continuing operations for both the current and prior year.

# The Graff Foundation

## BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 December 2021

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	<i>Note</i>	2021 £	2020 £
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	5	742,060	18
Cash at bank and in hand		1,800,425	3,288,966
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>2,542,485</u>	<u>3,288,984</u>
THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY			
Unrestricted funds	7	2,542,485	3,288,984
Total Charity funds		<u>2,542,485</u>	<u>3,288,984</u>

The notes on pages 12 to 14 are an integral part of these financial statements.

For the year ending 31 December 2021 the Foundation was entitled to exemption under section 382 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The financial statements on pages 10 to 14 were approved by the board of trustees on 31 August 2022 and were signed on its behalf by:



Alexander Molla  
Trustee

# The Graff Foundation

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the year ended 31 December 2021

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### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### 1.1 BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

These financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their financial statements in accordance with the financial reporting standard applicable in the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland ('FRS102') and the Charities Act 2011. The principal accounting policies which have been consistently applied and adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are as follows:

#### 1.2 FUND ACCOUNTING

The charity holds an unrestricted general fund. This can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

#### 1.3 DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

Donations are accounted for in the period in which they are receivable or received.

#### 1.4 EXPENDITURE

Expenditure is included in the statement of financial activities on the accruals basis. Grants made by the charity to beneficiaries are provided for on approval of the trustees and upon payment to the recipient.

#### 1.5 INCOME FROM INVESTMENTS

Income from investments is accrued to the date of the balance sheet. All finance income is credited to the Statement of Financial Activities.

#### 1.6 GRANT POLICY

To apply the income and such parts of the capital towards such charitable purposes and to make grants to such charitable institutions at such times and in such manner as the trustees in their absolute discretion think fit. The strategy for achieving these objects is for the trustees to review various charitable organisations and decide which organisations should receive funding on an annual basis.

#### 1.7 FOREIGN CURRENCIES

Within the charity, monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the date of the transaction. These translation differences are dealt with in the Statement of Financial Activities.

#### 1.8 IRRECOVERABLE VAT

Any irrecoverable VAT is charged to the Statement of Financial Activities.

#### 1.9 TAX

The Foundation is a registered charity, and as such is entitled to certain tax exemptions on income and profits from investments, and surpluses on any trading activities carried on in furtherance of the its primary objectives, if these profits and surpluses are applied solely for charitable purposes

#### 1.10 PRESENTATIONAL AND FUNCTIONAL CURRENCY

The functional and presentational currency is GBP as the majority of cash held is in GBP bank deposit accounts.

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued) for the year ended 31 December 2021

2	INTEREST RECEIVABLE FROM BANK ACCOUNTS	2021 £	2020 £
	Bank interest receivable	768	22,072
		<u>768</u>	<u>22,072</u>
3	CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES	2021 £	2020 £
	Grants payable:		
	Facet Foundation	597,985	391,757
	The Museum of Contemporary Art	73,132	75,850
	Chabad Jewish Community of Central London	763,000	6,500
	Make a Wish Foundation	10,000	-
	The Queen's Commonwealth Trust	-	11,000
	Food First Foundation	1,482	-
	Covid-19 Solidarity response fund	-	807,575
	Tate Foundation	10,000	10,000
	Guggenheim Museum	21,536	22,755
		<u>1,477,135</u>	<u>1,325,437</u>
		<u>1,477,135</u>	<u>1,325,437</u>
4	OTHER EXPENDITURE	2021 £	2020 £
	Bank charges and interest	60	44
	Foreign exchange losses	5,453	186
	Governance costs	7,679	7,595
		<u>13,192</u>	<u>7,825</u>
		<u>13,192</u>	<u>7,825</u>

Governance costs are the administrative services of £1,000 (2020: £1,000), which are provided by Robert Falk, the charity accountant, and audit fees for the year were £6,679 (2020: £6,595).

Foreign exchange losses arose in the year, upon the revaluation of the US bank account at 31 December 2021. The dollar has moved favourably against the pound over the year.

5	DEBTORS	2021 £	2020 £
	Prepayments and accrued income	742,060	18
		<u>742,060</u>	<u>18</u>

# The Graff Foundation

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued) for the year ended 31 December 2021

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### 6 TRUSTEES' EMOLUMENTS

No trustees received any remuneration or reimbursement of expenses for their services to the charity during the year (2020: £nil). There are no other employees within the charity (2020: none).

7 UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	2021 £	2020 £
Fund balances brought forward	3,288,984	4,436,004
Income	1,768	186,242
Expenditure	(1,490,327)	(1,333,262)
Fund balances carried forward	<u>1,800,425</u>	<u>3,288,984</u>

### 8 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Foundation received a pledge of £742,060 from Graff Diamonds Limited during the year. (2020: received £162,575 from Facet Foundation). At 31 December 2021, a balance of £742,060 (2020: £nil) was due from Graff Diamonds Limited, however this was fully paid prior to the signing of the financial statements. No trustees represent the board of any of its recipient charities apart from Facet Foundation (see below). The Foundation will occasionally receive funds or pay funds to Facet Foundation for cash flow purposes.

The Foundation paid grants to Facet Foundation during the year amounting to £597,985 (2020: £391,757). Laurence Graff, Francois Graff, Nicholas Paine (to 30 June 2022) and Alexander Molla (from 30 June 2022) are also trustees of Facet Foundation. The Foundation is a stand-alone entity.

**GRAFF FOUNDATION**

England & Wales - Charity number 1012859

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# The Graff Foundation

## ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31 December 2020

# The Graff Foundation

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## TRUSTEES AND ADVISORS

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### TRUSTEES

Laurence Graff  
Francois Graff  
Nicholas Paine

### ADDRESS OF CHARITY

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### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

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### BANKERS

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### SOLICITORS

Kerman & Co  
200 Strand  
London WC2R 1DJ

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER 1012859

The principal office is the same as the registered office.

# The Graff Foundation

## TRUSTEES' REPORT

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The trustees submit their report and the audited financial statements of The Graff Foundation for the year ended 31 December 2020.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with The Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP under FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011. It is a public benefit entity.

### OBJECTIVES, STRATEGY AND ACTIVITIES

The Graff Foundation ('the Foundation') was registered with the Charity Commission (registration number 1012859) on 15 July 1992 as a charity for general charitable purposes and is governed by the Trust Deed dated 20 December 1991.

The objectives of the Foundation are to apply the income and such parts of the capital towards such charitable purposes and to make grants to such charitable institutions at such times and in such manner as the trustees in their absolute discretion think fit. The strategy for achieving these objectives is for the trustees to review various charitable organisations and decide which organisations should receive funding on an annual basis.

The trustees confirm that they have complied with their duty under Section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit and seek to meet the Foundation's purposes in following its objectives.

### MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE

The trustees who have served during the year and since the year end are set out on page 1. The Foundation is managed by a minimum of 3 trustees. The statutory power of appointing new or additional trustees is vested in Graff Diamonds Limited, a related party. All new trustees are provided with an induction pack which includes the constitution of the Trust and guidelines on how to perform their duties as Trustee. Further training is given as and when necessary. The day to day management of the charity is carried out by Robert Falk, the charity accountant.

### RELATED PARTIES

The Foundation has a close relationship with Graff Diamonds Limited which provides funding to the charity. Francois Graff is a director of Graff Diamonds Limited, and Laurence Graff is the ultimate controlling shareholder of that company.

### ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

The trustees review various charitable organisations and decide which organisations should receive funding. Having reviewed various charitable organisations, the trustees have made seven (2019: eight) grants during the year amounting to £1,325,437 (2019: £1,530,662) to organisations as set out in note 3.

The grants were made in accordance with the aims of the trust as set out in the Trust Deed dated 20 December 1991.

The Foundation's future strategy remains unchanged. There are no current commitments for any future grants.

### GRANT MAKING POLICY

The essential purpose of the Foundation is to aid in the generation of funds to various charitable organisations.

### FINANCIAL REVIEW

The trustees set out the financial statements on page 7 to page 11. Expenditure exceeded income in the year by £1,147,020 (2019: Net expenditure of £770,506).

# The Graff Foundation

## TRUSTEES' REPORT (Continued)

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### RESERVES POLICY AND INVESTMENT POLICY

It is the policy of the trustees to maintain reserves at a level to enable it to be administered efficiently to meet its expenditure requirements and to have adequate resources to fund its charitable objectives. The level of reserves is currently £3,288,984 (2019: £4,436,004).

Under the Trust Deed dated 20 December 1991, the charity has the power to invest its accumulated assets in the purchase, acquisition or improvement of any property if appropriate. Their current reserves policy is to accumulate reserves under this power. However, at this time the certainty of cash and cash deposits is deemed to be the most appropriate investment strategy. The policy is reviewed annually.

### PRINCIPAL BUSINESS RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES AND FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

The trustees have examined the major risks which the charity faces. The trustees confirm that systems have been established to ensure that any major risks are identified and as far as practicable adequately mitigated. The management of the Foundation and the execution of the Foundation's strategy is subject to a number of risks that include liquidity and cash flow risk. The Foundation does not have a risk register. Policies relating to the management of these risks and how they are mitigated are described below:

#### *Cash flow risk*

Cash flow forecasting is performed on a regular basis which includes rolling forecasts of the Foundation's liquidity requirements to ensure that the Foundation has sufficient cash to meet operational needs.

#### *Liquidity risk*

The trustees regularly review the Foundation's financial position and actively discuss matters to ensure that there are sufficient funds available to continue in operational existence and meet liabilities as and when they fall due.

### FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS AND FUTURE PLANS

The trustees will continue to apply the income and such parts of the capital towards such charitable purposes and to make grants to such charitable institutions at such times and in such manner as the trustees in their absolute discretion think fit.

### CORONAVIRUS

After the outbreak of Coronavirus Disease 2019 ("COVID-19 outbreak") in early 2020, a series of precautionary and control measures have been and are continuing to be implemented across the United Kingdom and globally. The Charity will pay close attention to the development of the COVID-19 outbreak and assess its ongoing impact on the financial position of the Charity. This may have a detrimental effect on donations received in 2021.

### GOING CONCERN

The trustees consider the charitable company to be a going concern as it is in a net asset position with a very small total of liabilities.

# The Graff Foundation

## TRUSTEES' REPORT (Continued)

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### DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION TO AUDITORS

As far as the trustees are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the charity's auditors are unaware, and they have taken all the steps that they ought to have taken as trustees, to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the charity's auditors are aware of the information.

### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

The auditors, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, have indicated their willingness to continue in office.

On behalf of the trustees

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'N. Paine', with a stylized flourish above the name.

Nicholas Paine  
Trustee

Date: 20 April 2021

# The Graff Foundation

## STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

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The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period.

In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards, comprising FRS 102, have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

# The Graff Foundation

## ***Independent auditors' report to the trustees of The Graff Foundation***

### **Report on the audit of the financial statements**

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#### **Opinion**

- In our opinion, The Graff Foundation's financial statements (the financial statements"):
- give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31 December 2020 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards, comprising FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland", and applicable law); and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 and Regulation 8 of The Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008).

We have audited the financial statements, included within the Annual Report and Financial Statements (the "Annual Report"), which comprise: the Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2020; the Statement of Financial Activities for the year then ended; and the notes to the financial statements which include a summary of the significant accounting policies.

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#### **Basis for opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) ("ISAs (UK)") and applicable law. Our responsibilities under ISAs (UK) are further described in the Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### **Independence**

We remained independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, which includes the FRC's Ethical Standard and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

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#### **Conclusions relating to going concern**

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from the date on which the financial statements are authorised for issue.

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

However, because not all future events or conditions can be predicted, this conclusion is not a guarantee as to the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

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#### **Reporting on other information**

The other information comprises all of the information in the Annual Report other than the financial statements and our auditors' report thereon. The trustees are responsible for the other information. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion or any form of assurance thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify an apparent material inconsistency or material misstatement, we are required to perform procedures to conclude whether there is a material misstatement of the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report based on these responsibilities.

# The Graff Foundation

## ***Independent auditors' report to the trustees of The Graff Foundation (Continued)***

Based on the responsibilities described above and our work undertaken in the course of the audit, ISAs (UK) require us also to report certain opinions and matters as described below.

### ***Trustees' Report***

Under the Charities Act 2011 we are required to report to you if, in our opinion the information given in the Trustees' Report is inconsistent in any material respect with the financial statements. We have no exceptions to report arising from this responsibility.

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### **Responsibilities for the financial statements and the audit**

#### ***Responsibilities of the Trustees for the financial statements***

As explained more fully in the Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities, the trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the applicable framework and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. The trustees are also responsible for such internal control as they determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

#### ***Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements***

We are eligible to act and have been appointed as auditors under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with the Act and relevant regulations made or having effect thereunder.

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud, is detailed below.

Based on our understanding of the charity and industry, we identified that the principal risks of non-compliance with laws and regulations related to the Charities Act 2011 and relevant regulations made or having an effect thereunder, including The Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 in respect of donations and expenditure and specifically donations not being made to other registered charitable organisations, and we considered the extent to which non-compliance might have a material effect on the financial statements. We also considered those laws and regulations that have a direct impact on the financial statements such as the Charities Act 2011 and Regulation 8 of The Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008). We evaluated the trustees' incentives and opportunities for fraudulent manipulation of the financial statements (including the risk of override of controls), and determined that the principal risks were related to management posting inappropriate journal entries. Audit procedures performed included:

- Discussions with management and those charged with governance, including consideration of known or suspected instances of non-compliance with laws and regulation and fraud;
- Identifying and testing journal entries, in particular journal entries posted with unusual account combinations.

There are inherent limitations in the audit procedures described above. We are less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations that are not closely related to events and transactions reflected in the financial statements. Also, the risk of not detecting a material misstatement due to fraud is higher than the risk of not detecting one resulting from error, as fraud may involve deliberate concealment by, for example, forgery or intentional misrepresentations, or through collusion.

# The Graff Foundation

## ***Independent auditors' report to the trustees of The Graff Foundation (Continued)***

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: [www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities](http://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities). This description forms part of our auditors' report.

### *Use of this report*

This report, including the opinions, has been prepared for and only for the charity's trustees as a body in accordance with section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and regulations made under section 154 of that Act (Part 4 of The Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008) and for no other purpose. We do not, in giving these opinions, accept or assume responsibility for any other purpose or to any other person to whom this report is shown or into whose hands it may come save where expressly agreed by our prior consent in writing.

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## **Other required reporting**

### **Charities Act 2011 exception reporting**

Under the Charities Act 2011 we are required to report to you if, in our opinion:

- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- sufficient accounting records have not been kept by the charity; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns.

We have no exceptions to report arising from this responsibility.

*PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP*

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP  
Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors  
London  
20 April 2021

**The Graff Foundation**  
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**  
**As at 31 December 2020**

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		Unrestricted funds	
	<i>Note</i>	2020	2019
		£	£
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>			
Donations and Legacies	8	162,575	774,473
Interest receivable from bank accounts	2	22,072	39,617
Other income		1,595	1,000
<b>Total income and endowments</b>		<u>186,242</u>	<u>815,090</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>			
Charitable activities	3	(1,325,437)	(1,530,662)
Other expenditure	4	(7,825)	(54,934)
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<u>(1,333,262)</u>	<u>(1,585,596)</u>
<b>NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS</b>		<u>(1,147,020)</u>	<u>(770,506)</u>
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>			
Total funds brought forward		4,436,004	5,206,510
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>		<u><u>3,288,984</u></u>	<u><u>4,436,004</u></u>

There are no recognised gains or losses other than those included within the Statement of Financial Activities for the financial year and the prior financial year.

All income and expenditure relate to continuing operations for both the current and prior year.

# The Graff Foundation

## BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 December 2020

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	<i>Note</i>	2020 £	2019 £
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Debtors	5	18	1,315
Cash at bank and in hand		3,288,966	4,434,689
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<u>3,288,984</u>	<u>4,436,004</u>
<b>THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY</b>			
Unrestricted funds	7	3,288,984	4,436,004
Total Charity funds		<u>3,288,984</u>	<u>4,436,004</u>

The notes on pages 11 to 13 are an integral part of these financial statements.

The financial statements on pages 9 to 13 were approved by the board of trustees on 20 April 2021 and were signed on its behalf by:



Nicholas Paine  
Trustee

# The Graff Foundation

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the year ended 31 December 2020

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### 1.ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### 1.1 BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

These financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their financial statements in accordance with the financial reporting standard applicable in the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland ('FRS102') and the Charities Act 2011. The principal accounting policies which have been consistently applied and adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are as follows:

#### 1.2 FUND ACCOUNTING

The charity holds an unrestricted general fund. This can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

#### 1.3 DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

Donations are accounted for in the period in which they are receivable or received.

#### 1.4 EXPENDITURE

Expenditure is included in the statement of financial activities on the accruals basis. Grants made by the charity to beneficiaries are provided for on approval of the trustees and upon payment to the recipient.

#### 1.5 INCOME FROM INVESTMENTS

Income from investments is accrued to the date of the balance sheet. All finance income is credited to the Statement of Financial Activities.

#### 1.6 GRANT POLICY

To apply the income and such parts of the capital towards such charitable purposes and to make grants to such charitable institutions at such times and in such manner as the trustees in their absolute discretion think fit. The strategy for achieving these objects is for the trustees to review various charitable organisations and decide which organisations should receive funding on an annual basis.

#### 1.7 FOREIGN CURRENCIES

Within the charity, monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the date of the transaction. These translation differences are dealt with in the Statement of Financial Activities.

#### 1.8 IRRECOVERABLE VAT

Any irrecoverable VAT is charged to the Statement of Financial Activities.

#### 1.9 TAX

The Foundation is a registered charity, and as such is entitled to certain tax exemptions on income and profits from investments, and surpluses on any trading activities carried on in furtherance of the its primary objectives, if these profits and surpluses are applied solely for charitable purposes

#### 1.10 PRESENTATIONAL AND FUNCTIONAL CURRENCY

The financial statements are presented in GBP as in the opinion of the trustees this reflects the underlying operating activities of the charity. The functional currency is GBP as the majority of cash held is in GBP bank deposit accounts.

# The Graff Foundation

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued) for the year ended 31 December 2020

2	INTEREST RECEIVABLE FROM BANK ACCOUNTS	2020 £	2019 £
	Bank interest receivable	22,072	39,617
		<u>22,072</u>	<u>39,617</u>
3	CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES	2020 £	2019 £
	Grants payable:		
	Facet Foundation	391,757	1,390,246
	The Museum of Contemporary Art	75,850	77,628
	Chabad Jewish Community of Central London	6,500	13,000
	Lady Garden Foundation	-	5,000
	The Queen's Commonwealth Trust	11,000	11,000
	Qunitessentially Foundation	-	500
	Covid-19 Solidarity response fund	807,575	-
	Tate Foundation	10,000	10,000
	Guggenheim Museum	22,755	23,288
		<u>1,325,437</u>	<u>1,530,662</u>
		<u>1,325,437</u>	<u>1,530,662</u>
4	OTHER EXPENDITURE	2020 £	2019 £
	Bank charges and interest	44	30
	Foreign exchange losses	186	47,904
	Governance costs	7,595	7,000
		<u>7,825</u>	<u>54,934</u>
		<u>7,825</u>	<u>54,934</u>
	Governance costs are the administrative services of £1,000 (2019: £1,000), which are provided by Robert Falk, the charity accountant, and audit fees for the year were £6,595 (2019: £6,000).		
	Foreign exchange losses arose in the year, upon the revaluation of the US bank account at 31 December 2020, and a small gain on US treasury deposits of £1,206 (2019: £49,501). The dollar has moved favourably against the pound over the year.		
5	DEBTORS	2020 £	2019 £
	Prepayments and accrued income	18	1,315
		<u>18</u>	<u>1,315</u>

# The Graff Foundation

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued) for the year ended 31 December 2020

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### 6 TRUSTEES' EMOLUMENTS

No trustees received any remuneration or reimbursement of expenses for their services to the charity during the year (2019: £nil). There are no other employees within the charity. (2019: none)

7 UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	2020 £	2019 £
Fund balances brought forward	4,436,004	5,206,510
Income	186,242	815,090
Expenditure	(1,333,262)	(1,585,596)
Fund balances carried forward	<u>3,288,984</u>	<u>4,436,004</u>

### 8 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Trust received £162,575 from Facet Foundation during the year as a donation (2019: £774,473 from Graff Diamonds Limited). At 31 December 2020, a balance of £nil (2019: £nil) was due from Graff Diamonds Limited. No trustees represent the board of any of its recipient charities. The Foundation will occasionally receive funds or pay funds to Facet Foundation for cash flow purposes. The trust received \$1,000,000 from Graff Diamonds Limited during 2020 which was repaid during the year.

The Trust paid grants to Facet Foundation during the year amounting to £391,757 (2019: £1,390,246). Laurence Graff and Francois Graff are also trustees of Facet Foundation. The trust is a stand-alone entity. The ultimate controlling party is Mr Laurence Graff.